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## Turf Topics.

The German mail arrived to-day from the North bringing the Shanghai contingent for the Races. Casting my eye over the list of passengers I find those names, Messrs W. G. Pirie, O. R. Burkill, T. W. Sutterle, M. Speelman, R. C. Toeg, Barff, A. A. Brady, G. Magee and J. E. Hutton. Mr. Schnorr, who I understand will ride Mr. Friedland's ponies, I believe will not be here till two or three days before the Races.

This morning was the worst for turfites have had to put up with this training season. Thick fog and drizzle early, clearing about eight, and heavy rain with the last two or three ponies were put through their paces.

The outside course being closed the ponies had to splash their way through the water that lay like a sheet on the sand track. The going, nevertheless, was fairly fast, as is shown by Jubilee Rose's time—2.53 for a mile and a quarter, the last quarter being done in something under 31 seconds.

The following were the times taken—  
**OLD POINTS.**  
Kington, one mile, 35, 1.08, 1.49, 2.17.  
Jubilee Rose, one mile and a quarter, 2.53, last quarter 31.  
Sider Dhu, one mile and a half, 43, —, 1.58, 2.28, 3.03, 3.46.  
Eugenia, one mile, 41, 1.31, 1.65, 2.28.  
Soudan, one mile, 34, 1.10, 1.49, 2.21.  
Astral, one mile, last half, 35, 1.10.  
Flynn, one mile, last three quarters, 35, 1.07, 1.42.  
Vine, three quarters, 44, 1.23, 1.58.  
Kirkwood, three quarters, 40, 1.15, 1.48.

**DERBY CRITIQUE.**  
Compton, one mile, 35, 1.08, 1.49, 2.17.  
Annyll, three quarters, last half, 1.04.  
Fugitive II, one mile, last three quarters, 35, 1.08, 1.42.  
Dart, one mile, 2.20.  
Fernie and Garth, three quarters, 33, 1.04, 1.39. Fernie won by a neck.

**SUBSCRIPTION CRITIQUE.**  
Kirtan, one mile, 34, 1.10, 1.49, 2.21.  
Regret, one mile, last three quarters, 35, 1.11, 1.46.  
Blackheath, one mile, last three-quarters, 35, 1.12, 1.58.  
Mummers, one mile, 41, 1.31, 1.65, 2.28.  
Horseshoe, one mile, 39, 1.18, 1.49, 2.24.  
Kamran, one mile and a half, 43, —, 1.53, 2.23, 3.03, 3.44.  
Sider, one mile, last three-quarters, 35, 1.11, 1.45.  
Bystander and Sturdy, three quarters, 35, 1.08, 1.45.  
Highland Ladie, one mile, last three quarters, 37, 1.11, 1.45.  
Asteroid, one mile and a quarter, last mile, 38, 1.12, 1.47, 2.22.  
Lycan, one mile, last three quarters, 37, 1.14, 1.51.  
Dunkerry, one mile and a half, last mile, 39, 1.20, 1.53, 2.30.  
Little Nemo, half mile, 1.10.  
Macerew, one mile, 2.20.  
Gambler, one mile, last three quarters, 38, 1.15, 1.51.  
Grystone and Constand, half mile, 33, 1.04.  
Butcher, one mile, —, —, 1.44, 2.22.  
Omko.

## NOTES FROM MACAO.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)  
MACAO, February 8.  
A mile or so from the barrier gates the Chinese have set up a wireless telegraph station at Casa Branca and messages are being exchanged with Canton and Fu Min, the fort which overlooks the mouth of the Bocca Tigre river. Communication has also been made with Chinese gunboats stationed at sundry points on the Southern coast and which are fitted with an up-to-date equipment. The station is in charge of two young natives who were educated in Japan and speak fluently both English and Chinese with a smattering of French. Rumour has it that the wireless system is making rapid strides throughout China. The relief force, numbering 120 men, in charge of Lieut. Aquilar transferred from the N. D. S. S. 'Keio' Wilhelm at Singapore were landed here yesterday afternoon at about 3 p.m. An outbreak of measles on the way up laid ten of the men low. They were conveyed at once to stretchers to the military hospital while the remainder were marched off to barracks to the strains of the garrison band. Later in the evening the same vessel took in 120 time-expired men, 75 bound for home and the others for Timor.  
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ture, &c., at 77, Wyndham Street.  
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Hotel.

Goods per *Nippon Maru* undelivered at  
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TUESDAY, February 16—  
Hongkong Jockey Club Race Meeting.

FRIDAY, February 19—  
9 p.m.—Performance by Hongkong  
Amateur Dramatic Club in City Hall.

SATURDAY, February 20—  
Noon.—Meeting of The Hongkong and  
Shanghai Banking Corporation, at the  
City Hall.

MONDAY, February 22—  
Noon.—Meeting of Hongkong & Wham-  
poa Dock Co., at Co.'s Office.

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sions will be received by Post Office  
Office, Victoria Barracks.

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sions will be received by Deputy Vic-  
tualising Store Office, H.M. Naval Yard.

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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1909.

LAST YEARS BOOKS.

It is now possible, thanks to the  
official returns collected by the  
Publishers' Circular, to look at the  
statistics of the book trade in 1908. It  
seems that 7512 new books were pub-  
lished in the course of the year, which  
is about 200 fewer than in 1907,  
which was a record year. Fiction in all  
its departments heads the list, though  
this can scarcely be called a romantic  
age, with 1819 new claimants to public  
attention. Books in the department of  
art and science stand next, though the  
interval is marked, with 950 aids to  
interpretation. Third in the list stand  
religion and philosophy, with 752  
volumes, and then come history and bio-  
graphy, which have kept the printing  
press busy with the production of 693  
books. Educational works, in the  
strict application of the term—and here,  
of course, college and school books  
are included—are represented by 141

volumes. Geography and travel by

land and sea have to their credit 409

books. There has been an increase,

though not very marked, in volumes of

verse and books devoted to the drama,

and also in the year-books, manuals of

reference, and the like issued in the

year, and a slight drop in the number of

works the theme of which is medicine

or surgery, political and social economy,

belles lettres, and essays. The books

that refuse stoutly to be classified except

as "miscellaneous" on the contrary,

have risen from 363 in 1907 to 430 in

1908, but it is certainly significant

that in neither of these departments

during the last two years have any such

literary productions gone into a second

edition.

In regard to the writers of fiction it  
will be noticed that Mr. RUDYARD  
KIPPLING for yet another twelve months

has been silent; Mr. GEORGE MEREDITH  
has been represented by nothing except

a few poems of varying quality and im-  
pressiveness; while the younger men—

men like Mr. JOSEPH CONRAD, Mr. JOHN  
GALSWORTHY, Mr. MARMADUCE PICKTHALL,

and, in spite of his years, Mr. WILLIAM  
DE MORGAN—have done little to justify

the lofty expectations that from time to  
time their admirers have founded upon

their perseverance and powers. Mr.  
HALL CAINE has been omnivorous and

valuable—but only in the direction of the  
study of his own friends and achieve-  
ments and in the shadows of the

footlights. Miss MARIE CORELLI also has  
published a novel, "Holy Orders."

Perhaps Mrs. HUMPHREY WARD's  
"Diana Mallory" stands out as the

principal novel of the year. No  
enthusiasm followed its immediate

publication, although after a while men  
and women began to recognise its

sincerity, its observation, and, for Mrs.  
HUMPHREY WARD, its modified form of

moral earnestness. But her heroine,  
Diana, was, after all, a real creature of

flesh and blood. Her love for a man who  
secreted cowardices in his heart rang

deep and true. A great panorama of  
political life of the present day was also

unrolled in the story Mr. MARION  
CRAWFORD's final pendant to the Soprano

trilogy, it must be acknowledged,  
came dangerously near to the level of a

pot-boiler, and disappointed many an  
old admirer. In point of view of sales

the Baroness Orcutt, perhaps, holds the  
record for the year 1908, "The

Elusive Pimpernel" selling by tens  
of thousands. The book belongs

to the same vogue as "The Scarlet  
Pimpernel," hence its appeal, we sup-  
pose, to the general mass of fiction

readers of the present day. Mr. RUFUS  
HAGGARD has scored another success with

"The Ghost Kings," while Mr. ERNEST  
PHILLIPS materially increased his hold

on the public goodwill with "A Virgin  
in Judgment," a grim but poignant

story of the West of England, in which  
he faces a problem that few of his con-  
temporaries would dare to probe—a

problem of the mental effects of single  
blessedness on a girl brought up in an

obscure rural district, and alive to the  
finger tips. Mr. C. F. BESSON had his

own private just in the issue of a sensa-  
tional story named "The Blotting Book"

that can give points to the ordinary  
products of genius and alleged "mas-  
ters of mystery" who traffic in the de-  
tails of crimes and in the shedding of

human blood. But he also wrote  
"Sheaves" and "The Climber," and the

first-named story has been well declared  
to be as brave and as honest a book as

he has ever written. It yields a won-  
derful picture of a woman, who, after an

unhappy married life, determined to  
tempt the fates again and wedded a man

seventeen years younger than herself,  
and of the grim, gaunt, inevitable things

that happened to both husband and  
wife when love's first raptures were

done with and they had to stand alone  
face to face with the "god of things as

they are." To many Mrs. FRANK ARNOLD  
BESSON's very natural and exceedingly

erudite "Princess of Dreams" will re-  
main as a pleasant memory of the year.

Individual tastes will  
have of course individual tastes will

have fixed upon this and that out of the  
eighteen hundred odd novels to select

from. Geography and travel by  
land and sea have to their credit 409

books. There has been an increase,  
though not very marked, in volumes of

verse and books devoted to the drama,  
and also in the year-books, manuals of

reference, and the like issued in the  
year, and a slight drop in the number of

works the theme of which is medicine  
or surgery, political and social economy,

belles lettres, and essays. The books  
that refuse stoutly to be classified except

as "miscellaneous" on the contrary,  
have risen from 363 in 1907 to 430 in

1908, but it is certainly significant  
that in neither of these departments

during the last two years have any such  
literary productions gone into a second

ing particular needs or answering some  
expectations more or less to the full.

In the realm of belles lettres nothing  
very striking was produced. It was not

a year for the giants. The flood of books  
about NAPOLEON and his times still con-  
tinues at the full; there have been many

good biographies, memoirs, and books  
of travel, while Mr. ARTHUR ROSS Cor-  
quon's brilliantly written story of his

life stands out head and shoulders above  
its fellows. Of poetry the year was

practically blank of anything beyond  
the mediocre. There are a great many

poets of the present time, but  
none of them seem to rise to the needs

of the hour or to strike a really dis-  
tinctive note. Has the age grown too

materialistic to nurture good poetry?  
It would almost seem so. Curiously

enough the best selling book of last  
year had nothing to do with literature:

it was the collection of the Queen's  
Photographs, which went off "like hot

cakes," though country booksellers are  
said to have lost a penny-half-penny on

each copy, owing to the onerous terms  
of the publishers.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Bank is closing is advertised for  
Saturday, 20th inst., at noon.

Mr. Edison has perfected a battery for  
working a street car a whole day without

recharging.

The shipping companies have accepted  
Mr. D. D. Gaudard, as one of the freight

brokers from this month.

It is proposed to hold the annual din-  
ner of the Institution of Engineers and  
Shipbuilders of Hongkong in the Hong-

kong Hotel on Friday, 26th inst.

The Nevada State Legislature has  
passed a vote of censure on President

Roosevelt and has urged the people of  
California to persist in their anti-Japanese

legislation.

Miss Cecily Horner, who was married  
in London lately, wore a lace veil which

has been in her family for generations, and  
which was worked for Mary Queen of

Scots. Strangely enough the present bride  
wore it on the 368th anniversary of the

unhappy Queen's birth.

A Tokyo telegram printed by the  
N. Y. C. Daily News says that Count Komura

Minister for Foreign Affairs, speaking in  
the Japanese House of Representatives,

stated that Great Britain and Japan were  
still further convinced of the efficacy of the

Alliance. Japan, he added, regards most  
sympathetically China's reforms and is

determined to adhere to the policy of the  
open door and equal opportunities. He

urged the concentration of Japanese  
subjects in one direction with a view to the

extension of the area requiring Japan's  
exploitation and thus restricting emigration

to Canada and America. Count Komura  
announced that Japan would enforce the

abrogation of existing commercial treaties  
in 1910.

Of the N. Y. K. S. Mishaia Maru, which  
leaves Hongkong at daylight on Thurs-

day on route for London, the *Kohs Herald*  
says:—She is certainly a magnificent vessel

—a credit alike to designers and builders.  
Her passenger accommodation is superior

to anything seen here for some time past,  
every effort having been made to ensure a

maximum of comfort and safety. The main  
saloon is on the main deck, with seats for

80, and above are a sumptuously furnished  
drawing room for ladies and a social hall

where, by the way, smoking is allowed.  
While the Mishaia is in most respects a

sister ship to the *Kaimo*, many of her  
fittings reveal the eagerness of her owners

to introduce the latest improvements. The  
result is that in some respects the Mishaia

is likely to prove even a greater favourite  
than the *Kaimo* Maru.

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

Nine native owners of rickshaws were  
fined \$3 each, at the Magistrate's, to-day,

for allowing their rickshaws to remain out-  
side their premises.

Leung Kien, master of a licensed trading  
junk, was fined \$80, at the Marine Court

this morning for throwing rubbish into the  
waters of the Colony on the 8th inst.

Two coolies were charged at the Mag-  
istrate's, to-day, with breaking and entering

the house of Mr. W. Logan at No. 4 Cen-  
tury Crescent and stealing articles to the

value of \$106. One was discharged and  
the other was sentenced to six months'

imprisonment, besides a similar penalty on  
a charge of returning from banishment.

JUBILEE SERVICE AT THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL.

The Roman Catholic community are  
celebrating the closing of the Jubilee year

of a wonderful event which







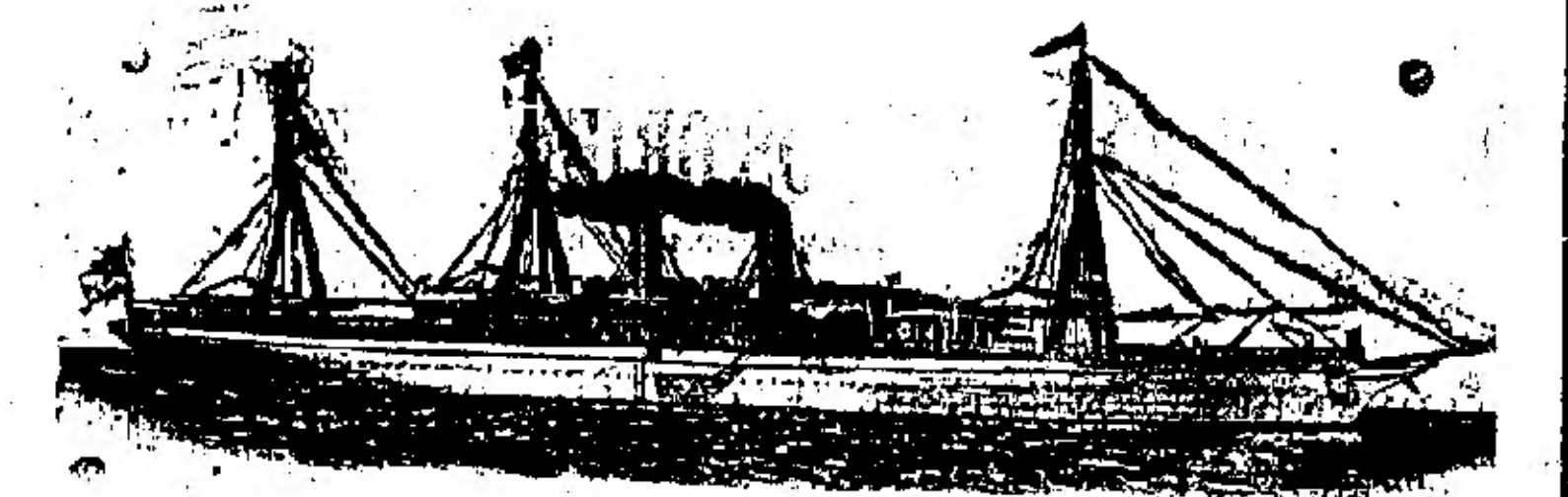
## Shipping.

## PENINSULAR &amp; ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Will despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on or about the DATES named:-

| FOR  | STEAMERS              | TO SAIL ON      | REMARKS              |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| LONDON & ANTWERP                                     | NYANZA                | 10am. 10th Feb. | Freight and Passage. |
| VIA SINGAPORE, PANAMA, COLON, PORT SAID & MARSEILLES | Capt. H. S. BRIDGEMAN | Feb.            |                      |
| SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA                | PALAWAN               | About 15th Feb. | Freight and Passage. |
| SHANGHAI   | DELTA                 | About 19th Feb. | Freight and Passage. |
| LONDON, via Suez Canal                               | BRITANNIA             | 10am. 2nd Mar.  | See Special Notice.  |
|  | Capt. B. BRIDGEMAN    | Feb. 1909.      | Advertisement.       |

## CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



## LUXURY-SPEED-PUNCTUALITY.

The only line that MAINTAINS a Regular Schedule Service of 12 Days across the PACIFIC to the "EMERALG LINE". SAVING 5 to 10 DAYS OCEAN TRAVEL. 12 DAYS YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER.

21 DAYS HONGKONG to VANCOUVER.

| PROPOSED SAILINGS.                    | (Subject to Alteration.)        |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| R.M.S. EMPRESS OF CHINA ... 6000 Tons | Leave HONGKONG ... Mar. 5       |
| MONTAGLE ... 6183 Tons                | Tuesday, Mar. 2 ... Mar. 28     |
| EMPEROR OF INDIA ... 6000 Tons        | Saturday, Mar. 13 ... April 2   |
| EMPEROR OF JAPAN ... 6000 Tons        | Saturday, April 10 ... April 30 |
| EMPEROR OF CHINA ... 6000 Tons        | Saturday, May 1 ... May 22      |
| MONTAGLE ... 6183 Tons                | Tuesday, May 11 ... June 5      |

THE Japanese route to CANADA, UNITED STATES and EUROPE, calling at SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, (through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN), KOBE, YOKOHAMA and VICTORIA, B.C., connecting at VANCOUVER with a Special Mail Express, and at Quebec with the Company's new palatial "EMPEROR" Steamships, 14,500 tons register, thus providing a comfortable and speedy through route to Europe.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class, via Canadian Atlantic Ports or New York \$71.10.

Intermediate on Steamers ... \$40.

First-class rate to London includes cost of Meals and Berth in Sleeping Car while crossing the American Continent by Canadian Pacific direct line.

R.M.S. MONTAGLE carries INTERMEDIATE Passengers only at intermediate rates, affording superior accommodation for that class.

Passengers booked through to all points and AROUND THE WORLD.

SPECIAL THROUGH RATES (first class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

For further information, Maps, Routes, Rates & Freight and Passage, apply to

D. W. CRADDOCK, General Traffic Agent for China, etc.

Co. 28 PRINCE STREET and PRINCE, Opposite Blaise Pier.

## PORTLAND &amp; ASIATIC S.S. CO.

FOR KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU, SAN FRANCISCO and PORTLAND.

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STAMSHIP TONS CAPTAIN TO SAIL ON 1909.

NUMANTIA ... 4370 H. FELDMANN ... About 14th February.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

S. SILVERSTONE, Agent.

## MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

## FRENCH MAIL LINES.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM EUROPE, Via SUEZ CANAL.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM JAPAN, Via SHANGHAI.

For SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA

STAMSHIP TONS CAPTAIN TO SAIL ON 1909.

SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA ... TOURANE, LANCELIN, Feb. 15, p.m.

MARSEILLES, Via PORT ... POLYNESIE, BROG, Feb. 18, at 1 p.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA ... NERA, X, March 1, p.m.

MARSEILLES, Via PORT ... SALAZIE, MAGNET, March 2, at 1 p.m.

TRANSFERRING on the Co.'s Steamers at Singapore for BARATIA, & COLOMBO for CALCUTTA, BOMBAY and AUSTRALIA, at PORT SAID for the LIVERPOOL, COVENTRY and BLACK STOKES.

Through Tickets to London, via Paris, from \$27.10 up to \$71.10. 30 hours railway from MARSEILLES to LONDON. Interpreters meet passengers on their arrival in MARSEILLES.

For further particulars, apply to

P. de CHAMPORIN, Agent, QUEEN'S BUILDING.

HONGKONG, April 1, 1909.

## HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, HAMBURG.

EAST-ASIATIC FREIGHT SERVICE.

REGULAR SAILINGS FROM JAPAN, CHINA AND PHILIPPINES

VIA STRAITS AND COLOMBO.

TO HAVRE, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, AND TO NEW YORK.

TAKING Cargo at through Rates to all European, North Continental and British Ports, also Trieste, Lisbon, Oporto, Marseilles, Genoa, and other Mediterranean, Levantine, Black Sea and Baltic Ports.

Also via Aden or Port Said to the Company's Arabians and Persian Service to Arabian and Persian Gulf Ports.

Next sailings from HONGKONG:

For Shanghai, Yokohama & Kobe

S.S. DORTMUND ... 10th Feb.

S.S. SPECIA ... 18th Feb.

S.S. ALBERTA ... 26th Feb.

S.S. LIBERIA ... 5th Mar.

S.S. VANDALIA ... 12th Mar.

S.S. SIBERIA ... 20th Mar.

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## MARSEILLES &amp; LONDON,

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR  
COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.  
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

| STEAMERS       | Leave<br>Colombo | Connecting Steamers<br>from Colombo to<br>MARSEILLES & LONDON | Due at<br>MARSEILLES<br>(Brindisi 2 days earlier) | Due at<br>LONDON<br>(London 1 day later) |
|----------------|------------------|---|---|--|
| BEITANNA 7800  | Feb. 20          | MOOLTAN 10000   | Mar. 20   | Mar. 27                                  |
| DELTA 8000     | Mar. 6           | CHINA 8000  | Apr. 9  | Apr. 16                                  |
| MAEDONIA 10500 | Mar. 20          | MALWA 11000   | Apr. 17   | Apr. 24                                  |
| DELHI 8000     | Apr. 3           | MONGOLIA 10000  | May 1   | May 8                                    |
| DEVANHA 8000   | Apr. 17          |   | May 15  | May 22                                   |

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.  
Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking.  
In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following:-

INTERMEDIATE (NOT-TRANSHIPMENT) STEAMERS  
WILL LEAVE FOR

## LONDON,

CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

| STEAMERS     | Leave<br>Hongkong | Due at<br>London |
|--------------|-------------------|------------------|
| RYANZA 7000  | Feb. 10           | Mar. 27          |
| MASTA 8000   | Feb. 24           | Apr. 10          |
| MASTA 7000   | Mar. 10           | Apr. 24          |
| PALAWAN 5000 | Mar. 24           | May 9            |
| SUMATRA 5000 | Apr. 12           | May 27           |
| PALMA 8000   | Apr. 21           | June 6           |

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marseilles.  
\* Carry 1st and 2nd Saloon Passengers.  
For further particulars, Apply to

E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN  
MAIL SERVICE.

## MAIL SCHEDULE.

(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION).

| STEAMERS | ARRIVE HONGKONG<br>FROM AUSTRALIA | LEAVE HONGKONG<br>FOR AUSTRALIA |
|----------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| ALDENHAM | 8th Feb.                          | 4th March.                      |

THE above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. All State Rooms have Electric Fans. A duly qualified Doctor and Stewards are carried. For further particulars, apply to

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Hongkong, November 2, 1908.

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CHINA AND MANILA  
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

| Steamship. | Tons. | Captains.    | For    | Sailing Dates.              |
|------------|-------|--------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| ZAFIRO     | 2540  | R. Rodger    | Manila | SATURDAY, Feb. 13, at Noon. |
| RUBI       | 2540  | R. W. Almond | Manila | Feb. 20, at Noon.           |

A special inducement to intending Visitors to the PHILIPPINE CARNAVAL, we are offering a reduced fare of \$80 for passage to Manila and return by our s.s. Zafiro sailing SATURDAY, the 20th January.  
Tickets issued at this reduced rate will be available for return by either the S.S. Zafiro leaving Manila on 7th February, or the s.s. Rubi leaving Manila on 15th February.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to

Shewan, Tomes &amp; Co., General Managers.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN IJN  
REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN  
JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

| STEAMERS  | FROM  | EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT    | WILL LEAVE FOR | ON OR ABOUT             |
|-----------|-------|-------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| TJILATJAP | JAVA  | First half of February. | JAVA           | First half of February. |
| TJIPANAS  | JAVA  | Do.                     | AMOI           | Do.                     |
| TJIBODAS  | JAVA  | Second half February.   | JAPAN          | Second half February.   |
| TJIKINI   | JAPAN | Do.                     | JAVA           | Do.                     |
| TJILWONG  | JAVA  | Do.                     | JAPAN          | Do.                     |
| TJIMARI   | JAVA  | First half of March.    | SHANGHAI       | First half of March.    |

THE Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Indian and Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.  
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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN IJN.

Yokohama, 1st Floor. CHAMBERS No. 378.

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10,500 tons,

CAPTAIN C. D. BENNETT, R.N.R.

THIS THROUGH MAIL STEAMER FOR  
MARSEILLES AND LONDON, Via BOMBAY,WILL leave Hongkong on MARCH 20th, 1909, staying  
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LONDON... April 24th.

FARES TO LONDON:-

1st Saloon... £71.10 Single. £106.14 Return.  
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For further Particulars apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, November 25, 1908.

## THOS. COOK &amp; SON.

TOURIST, STEAMSHIP & FORWARDING AGENTS,  
BANKERS, etc.HEAD OFFICE:- LUDGATE CIRCUS, LONDON, E.C. 4.  
TICKETS to EUROPE by the principal STEAMSHIP LINES and TRANS-  
SIBERIAN RAILWAY.TOURS arranged to ALL PARTS of the World.  
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STEAMSHIP COMPANY

Operating the New Twin Screw Steamship

## MINNESOTA

35,000 TONS

BETWEEN YOKOHAMA, KOBE, NAGASAKI, SHANGHAI, HONG KONG  
AND SEATTLE, U. S. A.

Sailing Dates Subject to Change.

'MINNESOTA' Captain Chas. Austin. THURSDAY, 6th May, at Noon, 1909.  
Calling at Manila, P.I. Westbound and omitting Shanghai Eastbound.

Direct connections at Seattle with Great Northern and Northern Pacific Railways for all points in the United States and Canada; also with Atlantic Steamship Lines for all points in Great Britain and on the Continent. Direct connection at Hong Kong for Manila, Straits Settlements, Java, India, London and Paris.  
LUXURIOUS PASSENGER ACCOMMODATIONS:- Saloon and Staterooms (all outside rooms), Music room, Library, Smoking room, Nursery, Laundry, etc.  
Trans-Pacific Cabin passengers may travel by rail if desired between ports of Yokohama, Kobe and Nagasaki, without extra charge.  
For convenience of coastwise cabin passengers return tickets are interchangeable with regular mail lines between Japan, China and Hong Kong.  
For full information regarding freight or passage apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

TOURNAI.

Captain LANCHIN, will be despatched for the above ports on or about MONDAY, the 15th February.

P. DE CHAMPMORIN,  
Agent.

Hongkong, February 8, 1909.

FOR

STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA,

INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITER-

RANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH

AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATA-

VIA, PERSIAN GULF, CON-

TINENTAL, AMERICAN AND

SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship BRITANNIA, Captain

S. BAXTER, carrying His Majesty's

Mail, will be despatched from this

for BOMBAY, &amp;c., on SATURDAY, the

20th February, 1909, at Noon, taking

passengers and cargo for the above ports in

connection with the Company's Steamship

Zedora, 10,000 tons, from Colombo, Pas-

sengers' accommodation in which vessel is

secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuation, all Cargo for France,

and for London (under arrangement) will

be transhipped at Colombo into the mail

steamer proceeding to Marseilles and

London; other cargo for London, &amp;c., will

be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S.

Zedora, due in London on the 2nd April, 1909.

Passengers will be received at this Office

until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The

contents and value of all packages are

required.  
For further Particulars, apply toTHE AMERICAN AND ORIENTAL  
LINE.

FOR BOSTON &amp; NEW YORK.

(With liberty to call at Malabar Coast).

THE Steamer

HEADLEY,

will be despatched for the above ports on

or about FRIDAY, the 12th February,

1909.  
For Freight, apply toARNOLD, KARBURG & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, January 15, 1909.

FOR MARSEILLES, LONDON AND

ANTWERP.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading

to all ports in the United Kingdom

and the Continent.

THE Steamer

MONTGOMERYSHIRE,

will be despatched as above on or about

TUESDAY, the 23rd February.

For Freight, etc., apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, January 27, 1909.

AUSTRIAN NAVIGATION  
LLOYD'S STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

TRIESTE Direct, Calling at

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,

BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ

AND PORT SAID.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to the

BRAZIL, PERSIAN GULF, Red Sea,

Black Sea, Levant, Venice and

Adriatic Ports.)  
THE Company's Steamship

SILEZIA,

Captain RADONICH, will be despatched at

Hongkong on THURSDAY, the 26th February.

This Steamer has special accommoda-

tion for passengers. Electric Light and

carries a Doctor and Stewards.  
For information as to Passage andFreight, apply to  
HENDER, WILLIS & CO.,  
Agents.  
Princes Buildings.

Hongkong, February 6, 1909.

Hongkong, January 25, 1909.

## A FORTHCOMING VISITOR.

Captain A. M. D. Gage, a member of the Royal Yacht Squadron, and a keen sportsman, who has owned in all nine sailing yachts, is the latest convert to auxiliary motor power. He has purchased the handsome schooner Vena, of 183 tons, and to his order Sumners and Payne, Limited, of Southampton, have installed on board of her a pair of four-cylinder 30 h.p. Kelvin motors, driving Bergius folding propellers. The engines start on petrol. Inside five minutes paraffin is switched on, and the motors thereafter run with the regularity and flexibility which are characteristic of Kelvin production. The space occupied by the machinery is between the ladies' cabin and the saloon, and by a careful rearrangement of the accommodation, the original number of cabins and berths has been preserved. Vena is to fit out shortly for a voyage to Hongkong, via the Suez Canal, and it is expected that the motors will be used through the calm of the tropics.

STANDARD TIME FOR THE  
WORLD.

One of the greatest and most difficult problems that science has ever had to solve for the world of affairs is that of transmitting standard time from some fixed point to all places on the earth. All the movements of navigators and geodesists, all the ingenious chronometers, all the observations of stars, all time-balls and moon signals, all the devices for enabling travellers and wanderers on land or sea to know where they are on the surface of the globe, are based upon the more or less complete solution of this problem. If it had not long ago been partially solved, the mighty system of commerce which has enriched the whole world, and brought distant lands into safe and easy communication with each other would have been impossible.

It is now proposed to employ wireless telegraphy to transmit a standard hour all over the earth. This, if practicable, will be nearly perfect itself. M. Bouquet de la Grye suggests that the lone peak of Teneriffe, in the Canary Islands, which has an altitude of 12,000 feet, would be a good place to establish the proposed signal station for the whole world. He calculates that with proper electric energy etheric waves could be sent from the Peak of Teneriffe radiating in every direction and converging together at the Antipodes. Thus they would cover the entire globe, and once every day ships at sea, no matter where they might be, would receive at practically the same moment, a signal announcing the hour at Teneriffe. Their captains would then possess absolute knowledge of their location, independent of clouds interfering with stellar observations, and independent also of the inaccuracies of chronometers.

This world's hour would be established, and would be known simultaneously all over the earth.

## LABUAN COAL.

THE LABUAN COALFIELDS COMPANY, LTD., are now prepared to bunker steamers at LABUAN with good fresh quality LABUAN COAL, double screened and straight from the mines. For further particulars, apply to

BRADLEY & CO.,  
Agents.

Telegraphic Address:-

LABUAN LABUAN.

Hongkong, February 10, 1909.

J EYES  
FLUID

DISINFECTANT

SOLE AGENTS.

W. G. HUMPHREYS &amp; CO.,

BANK BUILDINGS.

Hongkong, May 18, 1906.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 30 minutes

7.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 10 minutes

9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes

11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes

12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes

1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes

1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 15 minutes

2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes

3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes

5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes

SUNDAY.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m. 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes

9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 30 minutes

9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 10 minutes

10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes

11.30 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes

12.00 p.m. to 1.00 p.m. Every 30 minutes

1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes

5.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes

7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes

NIGHT GARS.

SUNDAYS.

Extra Cars at 11.30 and 11.45 p.m.

REPTONAL GARS by Arrangement at the

Company's Office, Alexandra Building,  
Des Voeux Road Central.JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 10, 1909.

SOUTH MANCHURIA RAILWAY  
SHORTEST AND QUICKEST ROUTE  
BETWEEN  
CHINA & EUROPE, via DAIREN (DALNY).

MAIN RAILWAY LINE:- Semi-Weekly Express Service from Dairen to China, China (Kwantung), in connection with Siberian Express trains at Harbin, by a train composed of excellently equipped Sleeping and Dining Cars expressly built for the Company by the Pullman Car Co.

BRANCH RAILWAY LINES:-  
Ryosun Line:- For Ryosun (Port Arthur), 2 hours from Dairen.  
Yankou Line:- For Yankou (Newchwang), 3 hours from Tashihia Junction.  
Anson-Hsiao Line:- A light railway from Mukden to Anson-Hsiao connecting with the Korean Railway.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE:- Regular Direct Weekly Service by the fast Passenger Steamer "Kobe Maru" (3,877 tons) sailing from Dairen every Monday and from Shanghai every Friday, in connection with the South Manchurian Express and Trans-Siberian Route (International Train de Luce).

RAILWAY HOTELS:- YAMATO HOTEL (Tel. Add.: "YAMATO").  
At DAIREN (Dalny), PORT ARTHUR and CHANGCHUN (Kwantung), all managed by the Company and provided with every convenience, luxury, and comfort.

TICKET AGENTS in the FAR EAST & EUROPE:- Messrs. THOS. COOK & SON, and the INTERNATIONAL SLEEPING CAR and EXPRESS TRAINS CO.

FUSHUN COAL  
FUSHUN COALFIELDS:- Fushun Steam Coal is supplied at Dairen, Yankou, etc. Fresh stock always on hand.  
SOUTH MANCHURIA RAILWAY COMPANY, DAIREN.  
Tel. Add.: "MANCHURIA" Codes: A.B.C., 5th Ed., A.I., and LARSEN.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1909.

## To Let.

TO LET:- FURNISHED.

A Five-Roomed House in CONDUIT ROAD. Terms moderate.

Apply to Care of "China Mail" Office.

Hongkong, February 8, 1909.

TO LET.

OFFICES on 1st Floor, No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, recently occupied by the "CHINA MAIL" LTD.

For further particulars, apply to the SECRETARY of the "China Mail" Ltd., 6, Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, October 13, 1908.

TO LET.

THE FURNISHED FLAT on Top Floor of Messrs. DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK &amp; Co.'s Office. Four Rooms with Kitchen and Bath Room.

Terms on application to DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK &amp; Co., No. 1, Douglas Street.

Hongkong, February 4, 1909.

TO LET:- FURNISHED.

FOR 6 or 8 months from 2nd March. No. 38, CONDUIT ROAD, 5 Rooms and Tennis Lawn.

Apply to W. S. ALLEN, 40, SPURRY FLOUR CO., Hotel Mansions.

Hongkong, February 2, 1909.

TO LET.

THE ROOM next to the PUBLIC BAR, facing Des Voeux Road.

Apply to the SECRETARY of the Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd., Hongkong, January 29, 1909.

TO LET.

ROOMS in HOTEL MANSIONS, suitable for Offices or Chambers.

Apply to HENRY HUMPHREYS, Alexandra Buildings.

Hongkong, January 27, 1909.

TO LET.

GODOWN No. 5A, DUDELL STREET.

Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT &amp; AGENCY CO., Ltd.

Hongkong, February 1, 1909.

TO LET.

GODOWNS Nos. 56, 56 &amp; 57, PRAYA EAST.

Apply to CHATER



### Vessels Advertised as Loading

| DESTINATION.                    | VEHICLE.                                | AGENTS.  | DATE OF LEAVING.               |
|---------------------------------|---|--|--------------------------------|
| Amoy .....<br>Boston & New York | Tiyanas (a) .....<br>Headline (a) ..... | Java-China-Japan Lip<br>Arnhold, Karlowitz & Co. | 1st half Feb.<br>About Feb. 19 |

|                          |                   |                             |                     |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Canton, Porto & Shanghai | Choo-han Mara (s) | Yaka Shoon                  | Feb. 11 at 8 a.m.   |
| Cebu & Iloilo            | Sue-ling (s)      | Waterfield & Swire          | Feb. 12, at 4 p.m.  |
| Europe, &c.              | Lutnow (s)        | Melchers & Co.              | Feb. 10, at Noon.   |
| Genoa, Mar. L'lon, &c.   | Muhina Mara (s)   | Nippon Yusen Kaisha         | Feb. 10             |
| Hankow, Shanghai, &c.    | Yung-mara (s)     | Waterfield & Swire          | Feb. 11, at 10 a.m. |
| Havre & Hamburg          | Elovena (s)       | Waterfield & Swire          | Feb. 11, at 10 a.m. |
| Japan & Portland, Or.    | Namensia (s)      | Portland & A. S. Co.        | About Feb. 14.      |
| Yata                     | Jijiyaji (s)      | Yata-China-Japan Line       | First half Feb.     |
| London, &c.              | Britannia (s)     | Y. & O. S. N. Co.           | Feb. 20, at Noon.   |
| Havre, London & Manila   | Yankui Mara (s)   | Nippon Yusen Kaisha         | Feb. 17, Daylight.  |
| Manila                   | Tsuyu Mara (s)    | Yardine, Nippon & Co., Ltd. | Feb. 12 at 4 p.m.   |

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| Manilla                | Tamling (a).....       | Butterfield & Swire       | Feb. 10, at 8 p.m.  |
| Manilla                | Tean (o).....          | Waterfield & Evans        | Feb. 23, at 8 p.m.  |
| Manilla                | Zalro (a).....         | Shewan, Tomes & Co        | Feb. 28, at Noon.   |
| Manilla                | Rebl (a).....          | Shewan, Tomes & Co        | Feb. 28, at Noon.   |
| Mar. London & Awerp    | Tomomerynabre (a)..... | Jardine, Mathon & Co, Ltd | Feb. 28, at 10 a.m. |
| Manilla                | Yan (a).....           | P. & O. S. N. Co.         | Feb. 28, at 10 a.m. |
| Manillello, v. Saigon. | Puyssene (a).....      | Mothershead & Co.         | Feb. 28, at 1 p.m.  |
| Manilla, A'lan Ports.  | Manilla (a).....       | Molochan & Co.            | Feb. 28, at 1 p.m.  |
| Manilla, A'lan Ports.  | Yawata Maru (o).....   | Nippon Yusen Kaisha       | Feb. 18, at 4 p.m.  |

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| Mania, Allan Ports.      | Taijaua (e)         | Bretzfeld & Swire     | Feb. 26, at 4 p.m. |
| New York                 | Sruga (e) .....     | Dowdell & Co. Limited | Feb. 27, at Noon.  |
| Panama                   | Sruga (e) .....     | Ward & Co.            | Feb. 27, at Noon.  |
| San Francisco            | Siberia (e) .....   | Pacific Mail S.S. Co. | Feb. 17, at Noon.  |
| San Felix via Japan      | China (e) .....     | Pacific Mail S.S. Co. | Feb. 25, at Noon.  |
| San Francisco            | Namerita (e) .....  | Pacific Mail S.S. Co. | Mar. 3, at Noon.   |
| Seattle                  | San Francisco       | Union Pacific         | Mar. 9, at Noon.   |
| Seattle, v. B'hai Japen  | Minnesota (e) ..... | Nippon Yusen K.K.     | Mar. 9, at Noon.   |
| Shanghai                 | Touraine (e) .....  | Messageries Maritimes | About Feb. 15.     |
| Shanghai, Kobe & Yachang | Dortmund (e) .....  | Hamburg-Ak. & Linie   | February 11.       |
| Shanghai, Kobe & Yachang | Yokohama (e) .....  | Hamburg-Ak. & Linie   | February 13.       |
| Singapore                | John Man (e) .....  | Swire P&O             | Feb. 18, at 8 a.m. |
| Snow, Amoy & Tamsui      | Shoshu Maru (e)     | Ocean Schoon Kalak.   | Feb. 17, at 8 a.m. |

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| S'Nai, Mui & Koo, Yim | (c) Debnisi 745   | Gibb Lirington & Co.          | Feb. 11, Daylight  |
| S'Nai, Mui & Koo, Yim | (c) Debnisi 746   | Nippon Yusen Kaisha           | February 8,        |
| S'Nai, Mui & Koo, Yim | (c) Debnisi 747   | Buchner & Co., Ltd.           | About Feb. 11,     |
| S'Nai, Mui & Koo, Yim | (c) Chanen (a)    | Bardwell & Co., Ltd.          | About Feb. 11,     |
| S'Nai, Mui & Koo, Yim | (c) Kwangsang (e) | Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. | Feb. 12, at 4 p.m. |
| S'Nai, Mui & Koo, Yim | (c) Wosing (a)    | Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. | Feb. 12, at Noon   |
| S'Nai, Mui & Koo, Yim | (c) Deltz (e)     | P. & O. S. N. Co., Ltd.       | About Feb. 19,     |
| S'Nai, Mui & Koo, Yim | (c) Palawan (e)   | P. & O. S. N. Co., Ltd.       | About Feb. 13,     |
| S'Nai, Mui & Koo, Yim | (c) Rungtung (a)  | Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. | Mar. 2, at Noon.   |

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| S. Siew, Amy & Co.      | Hayang (n)           | Dunlop                 | Feb. 12, at 9 p.m. |
| S'pore, Pang, Obo, etc. | Shielda (n)          | Doan                   | Feb. 12, at 7 p.m. |
| T'mu, W'wei & Cheong    | Hayang (n)           | Sander, Wisler & Co.   | About Feb. 22.     |
| Victoria, B.O., Seattle | yoo Marc (n)         | Sutherland & Swire     | Feb. 9, at 4 p.m.  |
| Victoria, B.O., Tacoma  | Saveria (n)          | Nippon Yusen Kaisha    | Feb. 12, at noon.  |
| Vancouver, B.C., Canada | Empress of China (n) | Dowdell & Co., Ltd.    | Feb. 12, at 5 p.m. |
| Vancouver, B.C., Canada | Montague (n)         | Dowdell & Co., Limited | March 11.          |
| Vancouver, B.C., Canada | Empress of India (n) | Canadian P'te K. Co.   | Feb. 12, at 7 p.m. |
| Vancouver, B.C., Canada | Empress of India (n) | Canadian P'te K. Co.   | Mar. 13, at 7 a.m. |

**SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.**  
February 2, 1909.

| Stocks.                             | No. of Shares. | Value. | Sold up. | Closing Quotations.  |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|--------|----------|----------------------|
|                                     |                |        |          | Cash.                |
| BANKS.                              |                |        |          |                      |
| Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.    | 120,000        | \$ 125 | all      | \$85, buyers<br>\$84 |
| National Bank of China, Limited ... | 99,985         | £ 7    | £ 6 60   | \$61, buyers         |

| MARINE INSURANCE.                     |        |   |        |                      |
|---------------------------------------|--------|---|--------|----------------------|
| Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd. ... | 10,000 | £ | 360    | \$180, sellers       |
| China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd. ... | 24,000 | £ | \$3.38 | \$5 287, buyers      |
| North-China Insurance Co., Ltd. ...   | 10,000 | £ | 15     | \$ 5 11. 100         |
| Union Insurance Society, Limited...   | 10,000 | £ | 260    | \$ 100 \$680, buyers |
| Yangtze Insurance Association Ltd.    | 12,000 | £ | 100    | \$ 60 \$177½         |

| FIRE INSURANCE:                    |         |    |     |     |               |
|------------------------------------|---------|----|-----|-----|---------------|
| Ohma Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. .... | \$3,200 | \$ | 100 | \$0 | \$108         |
| Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.  | 2,000   | \$ | 350 | 50  | \$330, buyers |
| do, etc                            |         |    |     |     |               |
| Hkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.     | 50,000  | \$ | 50  | all | \$91, buyers  |
| do, etc                            | 18,000  | \$ | 25  | 25  | \$12, sellers |

|                                  |        |     |    |       |
|----------------------------------|--------|-----|----|-------|
| Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited.     | 10,000 | 64  | 84 | payee |
| New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.          | 55,700 | 100 | 77 | payee |
| Shanghai Dock and Eng. Co., Ltd. |        |     |    |       |
| STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC.           |        |     |    |       |
| China and Manila S. S. Co., Ltd. | 25,000 | 25  | 25 | payee |

|                                    |        |     |     |                            |
|------------------------------------|--------|-----|-----|----------------------------|
| Douglas Steamship Co., Limited...  | 20,000 | 50  | all | 924, 941m                  |
| H.R. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ltd. | 40,000 | 15  | all | 830                        |
| Indo-China S. N. Company, Ltd.     | 60,000 | 5   | all | { 837, } sales<br>{ 817, } |
| Star Ferry Company, Ltd.           | 10,000 | 10  | 10  | { 823 }                    |
| Small Steamship & Marine Co., Ltd. | 10,000 | 10  | 5   | { 816 }                    |
| ...                                | ...    | ... | ... | 48, 49m                    |

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|--|---------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------------|
| Szechuan Transport & Trading Co., Ltd. | 8,000   | 75  | 1   | 5   | 1   |               |
| Taku Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd.         | 8,600   | 70  | Th. | 50  | Th. | 45            |
| Shanghai Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd.     | 900,000 | Th. | 50  | Th. | 50  | Th. 47½       |
| do. Preference.                        | 100,000 | Th. |     |     |     | Th. 51½       |
| <b>REFINERIES.</b>                     |         |     |     |     |     |               |
| China Sugar Company, Limited.....      | \$1,000 | £   | 100 | all |     | \$130 sales   |
| Tientsin Sugar Company, Limited        | 2,000   | £   | 100 | all |     | \$17. sellers |

|                                   |        |          |         |             |
|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|---------|-------------|
| Basin Sugar Company, Ltd.         | 7,000  | Ts. 60   | Tls 100 | Tls. 100    |
| Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd. |        |          |         |             |
| WHEAT.                            |        |          |         |             |
| H.K. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.,   | 50,000 | 60       | all     | 248, buyers |
| Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co.,  | 33,000 | Tls. 100 | Tls 100 | Tls. 155    |
| LARD AND BUTTER.                  |        |          |         |             |

|   |        |      |     |         |              |
|---|--------|------|-----|---------|--------------|
| Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited..... | 56,000 | \$   | 100 | 100     | \$91, buyers |
| Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited .....               | 78,000 | Tls. | 50  | Tls. 50 | Tls. 120     |
| Kowloon Land and Building Com-<br>pany .....              | 6,000  | \$   | 60  | \$ 30   | \$32         |

|                                      |         |    |    |    |    |    |
|--------------------------------------|---------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Wei-hai-wei Land & Building Co....   | 3,674   | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 |
| Humphreys Estate & Finance Co....    | 150,000 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 |
| West Point Building Co., Limited.... | 12,500  | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 |
| <b>TRAMWAYS.</b>                     |         |    |    |    |    |    |
|                                      | 25,000  | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 |
| The Peak Tramways Co., Ltd.....      | 60,000  | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 |

| MINING.                           |         |      |     |                   |
|-----------------------------------|---------|------|-----|-------------------|
| Société Française des Charbon-    | 18,000  | Frs. | 850 | all 3520, buyers  |
| nages du Tonkin .....             | 300,000 | £    | 1   | 18/10 351, buyers |
| Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd., |         |      |     |                   |
| HOTELS, ETC.                      |         |      |     |                   |
| Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.,     | 12,000  | £    | 50  | all 330           |
|                                   | 30,000  | £    | 45  | 25 316            |

|                                     |        |   |    |   |    |      |        |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|--------|---|----|---|----|------|--------|--|--|
| Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (S. H.) |        |   |    |   |    |      |        |  |  |
| HONGKONG.                           |        |   |    |   |    |      |        |  |  |
| A. S. Watson & Co., Limited         | 80,000 | £ | 10 | £ | 10 | 88   |        |  |  |
| Watkins Limited                     | 10,000 | £ | 10 | £ | 10 | 83   | buyers |  |  |
| HONGKONG.                           |        |   |    |   |    |      |        |  |  |
| H. K. and China Gas Co., Limited    | 7,000  | £ | 10 | £ | 10 | 8200 | buyers |  |  |
|                                     | 8,000  | £ | 10 | £ | 10 | 81   | buyers |  |  |

|  |         |     |        |        |                 |
|--|---------|-----|--------|--------|-----------------|
| Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd. ....        | 60,000  | 10  | 10     | 10     | \$19            |
| Hongkong Electric Co., Limited ....    |         |     |        |        |                 |
| MISCELLANEOUS.                         |         |     |        |        |                 |
| Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. ....     | 400,000 | 10  | 10     | 10     | \$3.70, 25¢ per |
| H.K. Milling, Co. Ltd., in Liquidation | 10,000  | 100 | 100    | 100    | 25¢ nominal     |
| Bel's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.    | 2,504   | 2   | 12 1/2 | 12 1/2 | \$9, buyers     |

|  |              |    |     |              |
|--|--------------|----|-----|--------------|
| United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited ..... | 2,000 shares | 10 | 4   | 212          |
| United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited ..... | 100 shares   | 10 | 10  | 230          |
| Union Waterboat Co., Limited .....             | 50,000       | 10 | 10  | 10           |
| Hongkong Dairy Farm Co. ....                   | 25,000       | 14 | 6   | 114, sales   |
| Hongkong Ice Company, Limited ...              | 5,000        | 26 | all | 229, sellers |
| Hongkong Ice Co., Limited .....                | 4,000        | 50 | 50  | 50, sellers  |

|   |         |      |    |     |        |              |
|---|---------|------|----|-----|--------|--------------|
| Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.....           | 16,350  | £    | 90 | 2   | 30     | Tls. 437     |
| H'kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.         | 93,000  | £    | 10 | all |        | 225          |
| Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.          | 125,000 | £    | 10 | 10  |        | 119, sellars |
| Hwo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co. Limited | 21,000  | Tls. | 60 |     | Tls 50 | Tls 84       |

|  |         |          |          |                        |
|--|---------|----------|----------|------------------------|
| International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Limited .....    | 10,000  | Tls. 75  | Tls. 75  | Tls. 74                |
| Loan-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd. .... | 8,000   | Tls. 200 | Tls. 100 | Tls. 78                |
| Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd. ....                  | 2,000   | Tls. 500 | Tls. 500 | Tls. 275               |
| China Provident Loan Mortgage Co., Ltd. ....             | 500,000 | \$ 1     | \$ 10    | 28.25, callm., ex div. |

|                                |        |    |     |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|----|-----|--------|
| Co., Limited                   | 80,000 | 12 | 19  | all    |
| China Borneo Company, Ltd.     | 1,800  | 10 | all | buyers |
| Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited | 15,000 | 7  | 7   | all    |
| Wm. Powell, Limited            | 8,000  | 25 | 25  | all    |
| South China Morning Post       | 50,000 | 10 | 10  | all    |

|                                |        |    |     |             |
|--------------------------------|--------|----|-----|-------------|
| China Light and Power Company  | 50,000 | 10 | 10  | 10          |
| Steam Laundry Company, Limited | 50,000 | 1  | 1   | 1           |
| Welschmann Limited             | 175    | 15 | 100 | 1140        |
| SEAR COMPANIES                 |        |    |     |             |
| Philippine Co., Limited        | 31,500 | 10 | 10  | 93, sellers |
|                                | 500    | 50 | 50  | Normal      |

| LOANS.                       | Amount. | Value.  | Interest.      | Quotation. |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|----------------|------------|
| Chinese Imperial 1886 4 1/2% | 767,300 | 711,350 | 2 1/2 p. annum | Par.       |

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